

Remarks

Claims 12, 14, and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 ¶ 1 and 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). To advance prosecution, claims 12, 14, and 19 have been canceled.

The Final Office Action states that claims 15-18 and 20-22 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 21 was canceled in the last response. Claims 15-18 already are in independent form. Claims 20 and 22 depend from allowable claims 15 and 17, respectively.

The amendment cancels three claims and adds new claim 23. New claim 23 depends from allowable claim 18 and parallels the language of allowable claims 20 and 22. Applicant respectfully requests its entry. New claim 23 requires no new searching, adds no new matter, and does not require consideration of any new issues.

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